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Following is a list of the right wing candidates for office as furnished by CGO-5097 *[initials]*

President  
Vice President  
Recording Secretary  
Financial Secretary  
Treasurer  
Publicity and Educational  
Director  
Sergeant-at-Arms  
Trustee  
Grievance Committee

JOSEPH HANLEY  
MATTHALAS  
JACK DEKOVIC  
JAMES SZALKOWSKI  
FRANK SMITH

CASEY CZOCHARA  
AL NASUTI  
JOSHUA PRICHETT  
TONY SPILA  
JOHN KAPINSKEY  
JOE TUMPACH  
CLARENCE JOHNSON  
STEVE WIELGUS  
JOE SIEGELE  
OSI MASSINGALE

Following is a list of candidates on the left wing ticket as furnished by CGO-5097 *[initials]*

President  
Vice President  
Recording Secretary  
Financial Secretary  
Treasurer  
Publicity and Educational  
Director  
Sergeant-at-Arms  
Trustee  
Grievance Committee

JACK HYMERS  
VINCE JAGODZINSKI  
TONY MATUZAK  
FRANK SCYMCZAK  
ED GRABOWSKI

BRUNO BARTNICK  
CHARLES LASTER  
HARRY PETERSON  
JOHN MARTINO  
JOHN COOKE  
NICK PASQUA  
STANLEY VOJNAROWSKI  
LOUIS VOGRITZ

CCO-5097 attributed the right wing slate's defeat to a very clever smear campaign on the part of the alleged Communist element of the local. Informant stated that the left wing slate had an excellent organization and were supplied with ample finances. He went on to say that numerous international representatives and organizers of the FE Union took a very active

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part in this election to insure the defeat of the right wing candidates who have always been vigorously opposed to the alleged Communist domination of the international offices of this union.) [CGO-5097] pointed out that ~~TOM KILLY~~, an organizer of the FE Union, was the power behind the throne and manipulated the defeat of the right wing candidates.

[CGO-5097] stated that ~~TONY MATUZAK~~, new Recording Secretary of this local, has admitted to him that he is a Communist. *du*

[Confidential Informant CGO-56] has advised that ~~NICK PASQUA~~ was a subscriber to the "Daily Worker" as of January 3, 1943. It is noted that PASQUA was an unsuccessful candidate for membership in the Grievance Committee on the left wing ticket. ~~PAUL C. LINDSAY~~, who is now employed in the McCormick Plant, has been the subject of investigation by this office and has been reliably reported to be a member of the Workers Party. *du* (u)

[Confidential Informant T-1] *du*, who is a colored employee in the McCormick Plant, advised that ~~JOHN COOKE~~ is chairman of the Grievance Committee of Local No. 108 and that he, COOKE, had requested informant to become a member of the Communist Party. [T-1] stated that he had also heard ~~JOE HUFF~~, who was formerly a member of this local and who is an international representative of the FE Union, admit membership in the Communist Party. [T-1] stated that the Communists in Local No. 108 were recruiting members among the colored workers with a "no discrimination" sales talk. *du*

[On January 24, 1945, Confidential Informant T-2, *du*, who is also a colored employee in the McCormick Works Plant, advised that Communism has been growing rapidly in Local No. 108, especially among the negro members of the union. [T-2] stated that the Communists were organizing among the negroes on a "no discrimination" platform. He stated that the negro workers were very much impressed with the Communist plan and feel convinced that they would be better off under Communism than under the present form of government. T-2 stated that the Communist sponsored group had taken over control of the Executive Board of this local at the elections held during December past. T-2 stated that ~~CHARLES LASTER~~, who is the newly elected Sergeant-at-Arms of this local, has admitted to the informant that he is a Communist and frequently argues in behalf of Communist principles. *du*

[T-2] *du* stated that ~~CURTIS SASSER~~, who is colored, has also admitted membership in the Communist Political Association.

According to [T-2] ~~ANTHONY MATUZAK~~, newly elected Recording Secretary of the local, has admitted being a Communist to the informant. *du*

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The names of all these individuals were checked against the indices of the Chicago Field Division with negative results.

Confidential Informant CGO-56 has advised that the following individuals were recruited into the Communist Party by POPE HUFF:

WILBUR PERRYMAN  
GLADYS MADDOX  
MARY COOKERHAM  
WILLIAM E. LOGAN

Mr. DAN PAOLETTI, Personnel Manager of the McCormick Works Plant, has advised that all four of these individuals were employed in the McCormick Works Plant. The following individuals, all of whom are members of Local No. 108, have, during the past year, been reported by informants to either be Communists or Communist sympathizers: (X)(u)

JACK HYMERS  
HUSTON STANLEY  
FRANK STELLA  
BRUNA ZEI  
BOOKER WHITE  
ANNE BROWN  
NICK PASQUA  
JOHN COOKE  
ELLIS CARPENTER  
FRED MOORE  
WILL ANDERSON  
GENO ZEI  
JAMES TRIPLETT  
RALPH PAPINI  
CURTIS SASSET  
CLARENCE JOHNSON  
JOHN MARTINO  
KENNETH WAUGH  
BEATRICE HUFF  
VINCE JAGODZINSKI  
CHARLES LENZI  
FRED QUILLIN  
EDDI GRABOWSKI  
WALTER KRZUZEL  
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